

# **Phone and Smart Watch Procedure**

### Aim

To ensure a safe, respectful, and focused learning environment by limiting the use of mobile phones and smart watches during the school day. This supports student engagement, wellbeing, and safety.

## Scope

This procedure applies to all students from Pre-Kindergarten to Year 6.

#### **Procedure**

#### 1. Devices at School

- Students are not permitted to use mobile phones or smart watches during the school day.
- This includes:
  - Before school (from arrival on school grounds)
  - o During class time
  - o Recess and lunch breaks
  - o After school while waiting to be picked up

#### 2. Definition of a smartwatch

A smartwatch is a **wearable computing device** worn on the wrist that offers features beyond timekeeping, such as fitness tracking, notifications, GPS navigation, and mobile app integration.

#### 3. Storage of Devices

- If a student brings a mobile phone or smart watch to school:
  - The device must be switched off and handed to the class teacher or kept in the childs school bag at their own risk.

### 4. Communication During the Day

- If a parent or caregiver needs to contact their child during school hours, they must call the **school office**.
- Students needing to contact home must speak with their class teacher or front office staff.

### • 5. Exceptions

• Any exceptions to this procedure must be approved by the **Principal**, based on medical or learning needs.

# **Consequences for Breach**

- If a student uses a mobile phone or smart watch during the school day without permission:
  - o The device will be **confiscated** and stored in the office for collection.
  - Parents will be notified, and the device may need to be collected by a parent or guardian.
  - Repeated breaches may result in further consequences as outlined in the school's behaviour policy

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